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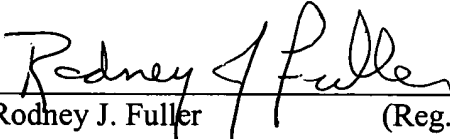
Applicant hereby elects Group I, drawn to a method of producing an apomictic plant from sexual plants comprising selecting a first and second sexual plant from an angiospermous plant species, genus, or family, wherein the initiation time of embryo sac formation in the first plant occurs at about the same time as or before megasporogenesis in the second plant relative to the developmental maturity of the nongametophytic ovule and ovary tissues.

Furthermore, Applicant has amended claim 15. Claim 15 is now dependent on claim 1. Claim 15 therefore also now includes all of the limitations of claim 1, thus no additional search burden will be placed on the Examiner. No new matter has been added by the amendment made herein. Entry of the amendments at this time is therefore respectfully requested. Thus, claims 1-12 and 15-24 are all readable on elected Group I.

Applicant expressly reserves the right to file one or more divisional or continuing applications to protect the inventions of the non-elected group and other disclosed, but unclaimed, subject matter prior to the issuance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

October 10, 2006
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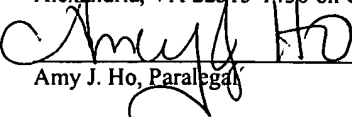

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